3.	Monetary compensation to postmen for doing double duty and duty on holidays.	The rates of fixed monetary compensation to postmen for work done on absentee beat as also on holidays have been substantially enhanced with effect from 1.2.92.
4.	Categorisation of Postal group 'D' officials doing postal work as semi-skilled.	The Job expected of group 'D' official in the post offices does not involve any technical skill. The demand has therefore, not been accepted.

सिकरी खुर्द, बिहार में विभागेत्तर शाखा डाकपाल के पद का खाली पड़ा रहना

3394. **श्री जगदीश जानी**: क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पिछले तीन वर्षों या कुछ इतने ही समय से बिहार परिमंडल, पटना के अधीन जहानाबाद जिले में सिकरी खुर्द, शाखा डाकघर में विभागेत्तर शाखा डाकपाल का पद खाली पड़ा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि उक्त पद को भरने के लिए चयन हेतु रोजगार कार्यालय में पंजीकृत कुछ स्थानीय ग्रामीण शिक्षित बेरोजगार युवाओं का पहले ही साक्षात्कार लिया जा चुका है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि बिहार परिमंडल, पटना के मुख्य महाडाकपाल पर अनावश्यक दबाव डाले जाने के कारण उक्त पद पर नियुक्ति के लिए जिन युवाओं का साक्षात्कार लिया गया है उनको नियुक्त नहीं किया जा रहा है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो सरकार उक्त पद के लिए निष्पक्ष और न्यायपूर्ण चयन को सुनिश्चित करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाने का विचार करती है?

संचार मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) (क) की जा रही नियमित नियुक्ति के न होने पर शाखा डाकघर का काम देखा जा रहा है।

(ख) जहानाबाद रोजगार कार्यालय द्वारा नामित 6 उम्मीदवारों के प्रमाणपत्रों और भूसम्पति की जांच की गई।

(ग) और (घ) जी नहीं। दिवंगत कर्मचारी के एक निकट संबंधी का मौजूदा आदेशों के अनुसरण में करूणामूलक अधार पर नियुक्ति के लिए इस शर्त पर अनुमोदन किया गया कि वह स्थायी रूप से उसी गांव में रहेगा जिसमें कि डाकघर है और दिवंगत कर्मचारी के आश्रितों की देखभाल करेगा। लेकिन, व्यावहारिक तौर पर यह नियुक्ति नहीं हो सकी क्योंकि एक आवदेक ने केन्द्रीय प्रशासनिक न्यायाधिकरण, पटना खंडपीठ में आवेदन कर दिया तथा माननीय केन्द्रीय प्रशासनिक न्यायाधिकरण के निदेशों के अनुसरण में विभाग के आदेश आस्थागित रखे गए।

Proposal for Stenographic to Officers in Subordinate Offices.

3395. SHRI AJIT P.K. JOGI:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether instruction issued by the Ministry of Personnel in respect of stenographic assistance to officers in subordinate offices have not been implemented by the Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunication;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken by Government to implement the said instructions?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Orders upgrading the posts of stenographers in the field units in pursuance of the instructions of Department of Personnel have been issued.

(b) and (c) In view of answer to (a) above, the question does not arise.

Accommodation for Senior Managers in Metropolitan Cities

3396. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the residential accommodation for Senior Managers is available in office permises at Calcutta, Madras, Bombay and New Delhi;

(b) whether the accommodation is occupied by all Senior Managers;

(c) if no, the reasons therefor and the date from which the accommodation is lying unoccupied;

(d) what is the approximate amount of loss to Government due to non-occupation of the said accommodation; and

(e) what remedial action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Only at New Delhi, residential accommodation for Senior Manager is available in the office premises.

(b) No Sir, the accommodation has not been occupied by the Senior Managers, New Delhi.

(c) The reason for non-occupation of the residential accommodation by the Senior Manager is that due to shortage of accommodation in the office of the Mail Motor Service, the residential accommodation has been merged with the office accommodation, since August, 1988.

(d) There is no loss to Government due to non-occupation of the said accommodation because it is being utilised as office accommodation.

(e) No remedial action, is therefore, proposed to be taken in this regard.

Amalgamation of Telecom Commission and Postal Board

3397. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for amalgamation of Telecom Commission and Postal Board;

(b) if so, by when it will be implemented;

(c) what is the number of posts in each grade which will be reduced as a result thereof; and

(d) whether MTNL, New Delhi will remain in its present position?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) The matter is under active consideration of the Government.

Compassionate Appointments in Department of Posts and Telecommunications

3398. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision in the Department of Posts and Telecommunications to grant appointment to one family member of an employees who died while in service;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what is the total number of cases of appointment under relaxation of recent rules in death cases received in 1991 in each Postal and Telecommunication Circle separately, and what is the number of cases of SC/STs therein;

(d) what is the total number of cases out of above in part (c) rejected and the number of cases of SC/STs therein; and

(e) whether Government propose to reconsider to grant appointment in all cases of SC/STs mentioned in part (d) above keeping in view of their social backgrounds?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) When a government servant dies in harness leaving behind his family in indigent circumstances and is in immediate need of assistance, then one dependent is eligible for consideration for appointment on compassionate grounds.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected from the field units and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(e) No, Sir.